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Cc: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa[Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov]; Press[Press@epa.gov]
From: Christie StClair
Sent: Fri 8/14/2015 12:48:37 AM
Subject: JIC/EOC ACTION: CBS Denver (DDL ASAP)

I've re-named the subject line using our standard convention. Please follow this convention moving forward.

I'll see if the JIC can draft a response but expect this will need to go through the EOC.

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From: Laura Jenkins [mailto:Jenkins.Laura@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 8:32 PM
To: Stavnes, Sandra; EOC Public Information; Press
Cc: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa
Subject: FW: gold king mine owner interview

Can anyone confirm the accuracy of the claims made by the mine owner to CBS News?

Laura Jenkins

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From: Lee, Monica

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 6:22 PM

To: Jenkins, Laura Flynn

Cc: Press

Subject: Re: gold king mine owner interview

I have no information on this, so we need to run our usual process. Should go to the jic and EOC simultaneously. Does anyone in the region have any background?

Monica Lee

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On Aug 13, 2015, at 8:16 PM, Jenkins, Laura Flynn <Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov> wrote:

<image002.jpg>

Monica:

This isn't a request for an interview, rather, it's a request for confirmation of claims made to CBS News by the owner of the mine. I told Rick I would reach out to you for a response.

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From: Sallinger, Rick [<mailto:RSallinger@cbs.com>]

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 5:28 PM

To: Jenkins, Laura Flynn

Subject: gold king mine owner interview

Laura,

In an interview Todd Hennis, owner of the Gold King mine stated that the EPA forced him to open the mine to your agency four years ago by fining him \$35,000 per day.

He also claimed that the water that came out of the Gold King originated in the Sunnyside mine. He said this can be proven with tests that show the mineral content of the water.

Please let me know the EPA response if any.

thanks,

Rick Sallinger

KCNC TV CBS 4 Denver

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From: Jenkins, Laura Flynn [<mailto:Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov>]

Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 2:20 PM

To: Sallinger, Rick

Subject: GKM Link

<http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine>

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